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FOR SECRETARY FROM INGERSOLL

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: ASST SECY INGERSOLL TALK WITH FONMIN OHIRA

1. DURING MY CALL MORNING JANUARY 23, FONMIN OHIRA OPENED DISCUSSION WITH REQUEST THAT HIS RESPECTS AND APPRECIATION BE CONVEYED TO SECRETARY KISSINGER FOR HIS SUCCESSFUL EFFORT TO BEING ABOUT DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT IN MIDDLE EAST. OHIRA ALSO APPRECIATED BEING KEPT INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS IN ADVANCE THROUGH EMBASSY.

2. I RECALLED THAT PRIOR TO YOUR DEPARTURE FOR MIDDLE EAST YOU HAD EXPRESSED TO ME YOUR HOPE THAT YOU COULD MEET AGAIN WITH OHIRA IN NEAR FUTURE TO CONTINUE YOUR EXCHANGE OF VIEWS. OHIRA SAID THIS IS ALSO HIS DESIRE AND HE LOOKED FORWARD TO POSSIBILITY OF MEETING WITH YOU IF, AS HE EXPECTED, HE ATTENDS UPCOMING ENERGY CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON. I POINTED OUT THAT REQUESTS FROM OTHER DELEGATIONS WOULD PROBABLY MAKE HEAVY DEMANDS ON YOUR TIME BUT ASSURED OHIRA THAT I WOULD CONVEY HIS HOPE TO BE ABLE TO MEET WITH YOU AT THAT TIME.

3. IN THIS CONNECTION, I EXPRESSED HOPE THAT OHIRA MIGHT BE ABLE TO MAKE SECOND VISIT TO U.S. LATER IN SPRING. OHIRA ACCEPTED WITH EVIDENT DELIGHT, AND REVIEWED HIGHLY

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TENTATIVE PLANS TO VISIT U.S. TO ACCEPT HONORARY DEGREE

FROM YALE MAY 20. IF MAY VISIT TAKES PLACE OHIRA ALSO
HOPES TO ADDRESS JAPAN SOCIETY IN NEW YORK. WHILE
PRIMIN TANAKA IS FAVOABLY INCLINED TOWARD VISIT, OHIRA
EXPLAINED THAT GOJ PERMISSION CONTINGENT ON ADJOURNMENT
OF DIET EARLY MAY, WHICH OF COURSE, CANNOT BE GUARANTEED
AT THIS TIME. OHIRA PROMISED TO REPLY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF MAKING WASHINGTON VISIT IN MAY 21-23
TIME FRAME.
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